FISCAL NOTE

HB 2135 - SB 2432

February 11, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Health to implement a plan that requires vision screening for all Tennessee children. The plan must be prepared by January 15, 2001 along with rules requiring vision screening prior to admission to public school, kindergarten, nursery school or daycare for the 2002 school year. The bill also adds requirements for hearing and vision screening to the Healthy Start program.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$62,900 Recurring \$ 5,700 One-Time

Assumes a need for one program staff and associated expenses in the Department of Health and one contract position in the Healthy Start program.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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